

Application No. 10/022,864
Response to Final Office Action

Customer No. 01933

R E M A R K S

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner's indication of the allowability of the subject matter of claims 3, 5, 15, 17 and 20 is respectfully acknowledged.

Claims 3 and 5 have been amended to be rewritten in independent form, to include all of the limitations of their (now canceled) parent claim 2.

In addition, claim 12 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of (now canceled) allowable claim 15, which depended from claim 12, and (now canceled) intervening claim 14.

Still further, claims 6 and 19 have been amended to depend from claim 5.

No new matter has been added, and no new issues with respect to patentability have been raised. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the amendments to claims 3, 5, 6, 12 and 19 be approved and entered.

And it is respectfully submitted that amended independent claims 3, 5 and 12, as well as claims 6, 13, 17, 19 and 20 respectively depending therefrom, are now all in condition for immediate allowance.


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In view of the foregoing, entry of this Amendment, allowance of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,


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